

# Novel Furoquinolinediones as Inhibitors of TDP2 and Their Potential Use to Treat Cancer

## Summary (1024-character limit)

Novel Furoquinolinediones derivatives may act as an anti-cancer agent by the inhibition of tyrosyl-DNA phosphodiesterase 2 (TDP2), an enzyme involved in DNA repair and transcription factor activation. These Furoquinolinediones derivatives may also be used in combination therapies to effectively kill cancer cells.

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#### **Product Type**

Therapeutics

# Keywords

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# **Collaboration Opportunity**

This invention is available for licensing and co-development.

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#### **Description of Technology**

The invention relates to novel Furoquinolinediones derivatives and their ability to inhibit the enzyme tyrosyl-DNA phosphodiesterase 2 (TDP2), and therefore to serve as anti-cancer agents. Furthermore, these compounds can be used in combination with topoisomerase II (Top2) inhibitors, such as etoposide or doxorubicin, to more effectively kill cancer cells in a synergistic fashion. Pharmaceutical compositions containing these novel Furoquinolinediones and methods of treatment comprising administering of such compositions are disclosed in the invention. Researchers at the NCI seek licensing and/or codevelopment research collaborations.

#### **Potential Commercial Applications**

• Furoquinolinediones derivatives can potentially be utilized for cancer treatment either as stand alone or in combination with other drugs such as Top2 inhibitors



# **Competitive Advantages**

• Combination therapies based on the association of a TDP2 and a Top2 inhibitor because of their synergistic effect should allow the decrease of the effective dosage. Their therapeutic benefit should be observed at non-toxic concentrations for normal cells as it has already been demonstrated for PARP inhibitors in BRCA-deficient tumors.

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# **Development Stage**

• Basic (Target Identification)

#### **Patent Status**

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# Therapeutic Area

• Cancer/Neoplasm